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SUBJ: KABUL RUMORS REGARDING BREZHNEV HEALTH/RESIGNATION

1. COMMENTING ON ALL-INDIA RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT THAT GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV HAD RESIGNED JANUARY 18, A HIGH RANKING MEMBER OF AFGHAN MFA TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER JANUARY 18 THAT "WE HAVE BEEN TOLD" THAT BREZHNEV HEALTH IS POOR. MFA OFFICIAL SAID "THEY TOLD US" SOVIET OFFICIAL WORD ON THIS WILL COME AFTER FURTHER EXAMINATION AND TREATMENT.

2. OF POSSIBLE RELATED INTEREST IS FACT THAT EMBASSY INFORMED JANUARY 15 OF RETURN SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO AFGHANISTAN ALEXANDER M. PUZANOV. THOUGH WE WERE NOT OFFICIALLY INFORMED OF HIS DEPARTURE, WE BELIEVE PUZANOV HAD BEEN ABSENT FROM KABUL FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH.

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